

## Staff Report

Title: Fumarole Butte, Howell Peak, Pitchfork Springs; Great Basin Construction mineral material trespass

Date: September 24, 1991

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On July 18, 1991 certified letters were sent to the upper management of Great Basin Construction (Bob Thomas, Carl Briscoe and Art Leeper) notifying them to contact BLM, Fillmore within 15 days after receipt of the letters or be issued a notice of noncompliance. Bob Thomas responded and indicated he would accept full responsibility for undertaking the reclamation of surface disturbances caused by Great Basin Construction.

On August 19, 1991 a meeting was arranged at Fumarole Butte between Dave Henderson, Rex Rowely, Lynn Fergus, Rody Cox (BLM representatives) and Bob Thomas concerning reclamation of surface disturbances at Fumarole Butte, Howell Peak and Pitchfork Springs. These disturbances are a result of mineral material trespasses by Great Basin Construction. No notice of intent or plan of operation was received prior to the commencement of these activities.

At the meeting Bob Thomas agreed to reclaim the disturbances at Fumarole Butte and Howell Peak during the fall of 1991. When confronted with the disturbance at Pitchfork Springs, he said that he would consider it and mentioned that he and Dale Rogers were not on the best of terms. On September 6, 1991 Dale Rogers filed a notice of intent for the mining of building stone from his multicolor claims at Pitchfork Springs.

An Environmental Assessment has been prepared in advance of the reclamation at Fumarole Butte and EA's will be written to cover the reclamation work at Howell Peak and Pitchfork Springs. BLM will remain in close contact with Bob Thomas to enforce and monitor the reclamation projects discussed above.



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July 18, 1991

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Arthur Leeper  
4075 West - 4500 South  
Deseret, UT 84624

Dear Mr. Leeper:

This letter is in reference to projects undertaken by Great Basin Construction that have been processed by this office. Specific projects under investigation are:

- 1) Fumarole Butte; mining and road building.

<u>Claims</u>	<u>UMC Numbers</u>
Red Lava	332286
Red Lava # 1	332287
Red Lava # 2	332288

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- 2) Howell Peak; Wilderness Study Area trespass, mining and road building outside the WSA.

<u>Claims</u>	<u>UMC Numbers</u>
Gray Slate	332304
Gray Slate # 1	332305
Potted Rock	332289
thru	thru
Potted Rock # 13	332302

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- 3) Pitchfork Springs; mining and road building.

<u>Claims</u>	<u>UMC Numbers</u>
Multicolor Green	311606
Multicolor Green # 2	328709
Multicolor Green # 3	328710

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Paul (5027033)

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Carl Briscoe  
342 North 100 East  
Milford, UT 84751

Dear Mr. Briscoe:

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These disturbances are a result of activities initiated by Great Basin Construction and are in violation of Federal regulations. As a former member of upper management in Great Basin Construction and

a significant claim holder in these ventures; you are hereby notified to contact this office to arrange reclamation. You will be given fifteen (15) days to comply from the receipt of this letter. Failure to do so will result in the issue of a Notice of Noncompliance. Should you establish a record of noncompliance, you will be required to submit a Plan of Operations for any subsequent activity which would have normally required only a Notice, and you will be required to post a mandatory bond for all subsequent activities.

Sincerely,

*For Don Burt*  
Dave Henderson  
Area Manager

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